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Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln. Our Ref: 010482.53148US

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled:

OPTICAL DISC APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- 1. Specification, including 4 claims (pages 1-23).
- 2. 5 Sheets of Formal drawings showing Figs. 1-6.
- 3. Application Data Sheet.
- 4. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- 5. Assignment of the invention to Funai Electric Co., Ltd.
- 6. Certified copy of Priority Document 2003-006665 filed in Japan on January 15, 2003, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
- 7. Information Disclosure Statement w/4 references.
- 8 The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee		•		\$385/770 =	\$770.00
Total Claims	_4	20	= _ x	\$ 9/18 =	\$
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Multiple Dependent Claim Presented \$145/290 =					\$
Total Filing Fee					\$770.00

Two checks in the amount of \$770.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #010482.53148US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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